FUNDS OFFERED TO SPEED UP PLANTING Railway Business Association

Long Island Food Reserve Battalion Stands Ready to Assist Farmers.

SEVEN TRACTORS BUSY

W. E. Harmon Puts Several Hundred Acres at Disposal of the Mayor.

The Long Island Food Reserve Batlargest possible acreage planted with day through Ralph Peters, president of pound of tractive power pull all it can. can supply all necessary funds to farm-

sary help available at once. At the request of any farmer or landowner all necessary help can be furnished, especially any number of older boys, under competent and adequate supervision un-ii the crops are harvested." Director-General Johnson said that

seven tractors donated to the battallon by Mrs. W. K. Vanderblit are being worked by young college men under the direction of Park Commissioner Weier of Queens. One of the students ran a tractor sixteen hours on a stretch, ploughing sixteen acres before he stopped. Thus far more than 2,000 acres of land have been offered to the bat-talion and practically all of it will be cultivated.

Lawyers Pledge Ald.

farm squads left the city yesterday for the furrows. They hailed from the Manual Training High School, Brooklyn. They went to Newburgh in chage of H. McCready, a teacher, and will be

Unused Land Offered.

veral hundred acres, owned by company in Brooklyn and Staten Island. Much of it has been cultivated. The Mayors Committee on Food Gardens will be asked to work out plans for the

The request of Frank L. Dowling. chairman of the committee on coordina-tion of this committee, for contributions tion of this committee, for contributions to carry on the work, already has brought a response from patriotic men

There will be a meeting of farmers in There will be a meeting or farmers in the Jamaica Town Hall to-night when ways and means will be discussed to in-crease the yield of this year's food crops. Thirty-four farmers who have 100 or more acres of land have been invited. The farmers will be backed by a citizens'

George W. Perkins will appear this morning before the Committee on Agriculture of the United States Senate to tell why he believes it is necessary to fix a minimum price to the farmer for petatees and one or two other staple farm products.

petatoes and one or two other staple farm products.

The State Conference of Mayora, through William P. Capes, its secretary, announces that reports show forty-one cities in the State have organized municipal campaigns. Mount Vernon has ploughed up and will cultivate its entire civic centre. Geneva has divided its public park into gardens, which will be assigned to families which have no ground. Binghamton is having vacant lots ploughed and Lockport, Glens Falls, North Tonawanda, Troy and other cities are supervising the planting of unused lots.

Sheriff Hudson Hurd of Rockland county set prisoners in the county jail at New City at work yesterday planting land about the jail. Sheriff McDowell of Orange county also started county jail prisoners putting in seeds in Goshen and the suburbs of Newburgh.

KEMP TO HAVE NO SUCCESSOR.

Calvary Baptist Church Cannot

Now Afford Another Paster. Officers of Calvary Baptist Church announced yesterday that at present no pastor will be called to succeed the Rev. losepr D. Kemp, who recently resigned. The church cannot afford a pastor, it is said, as a result of the loss of members who left the church with Mr. Kemp. To-morrow morning the Rev. Dr. Lemuel C. Barnes, a missionary secretary, will fill the pulpit, and on the following Sunday the Rev. Dr. Robert S. MacArthur will preach. The demand for letters of dismissal from the church was great immediately after the defeat of the followers of Mr. Kemp on Monday night, but yesterday, owing to intimations that the retiring pastor would mations that the retiring pastor would not accept the pastorate of an inde-pendent church, requests for letters

stopped.
According to Baptist leaders in this city if an independent church was founded by Mr. Kemp and his followers it would be denied admission into the Southern Baptist Association of New York. It is said that Mr. Kemp would not care to leave his denomination. Another plan which, it is said, is being considered is the acceptance by Mr. Kemp of the pastorate of the Port Washington Baptist Church and the providing of a downtown interior said.

SHIPPERS URGED TO SAVE TRACTION

Promises to Cooperate.

Announcement is made by the Raffway Business Association, which is cooperating with the Council of National Defence, that the railroads of the country having met the national emergency by mobilizing the facilities of all the

companies for operation as a unit, the manufacturers who compose the Rallway Business Association are now ready for any task to which they may be called. A statement just put out by the associa-

A statement just put out by the associa-tion in part says:

"As makers of equipment, fabrics and supplies for the carriers, our immediate interest ordinarily consists in creating a demand for and augmenting purchase of locomotives, cars and track materials. In the present national emergency our talion, which is pushing plans to get the paramount interest is to help bring sucreget possible acreage planted with we have enlisted to diminish waste in the use of our products and make every the Long Island Railroad: A. A. Johnson and F. M. Hill, a statement that it of Defence, Mr. Willard, that the most can supply all necessary funds to farm-ers and others who are willing "to plant association we can devote our resources is the liberation for national needs of "No man need hesitate through lack of money," the statement says.

"It is most important that seed should be in the ground at the earliest date and that every available acre of tillable soil should be utilized. The battalion itself earnestly solicits the use of suitable land not otherwise engaged, and is bis land not otherwise engaged, and is return movement of empty cars. Transprepared and willing to cultivate it for the weifare of all. The battalion can make all neces- who saves a pound of tractive power is

NEW HAVEN GAIN \$10,325,581 IN 1916

Traffic Volume Showed Large Increase, Which Is Reflected in Revenue.

Because of the volume of traffic re-The war committee of the Lawyers ceived from manufacturing concerns in club member a pledge "to plant or togause the New England States, which were e be planted an acre of land, more or actively identified with the manufacture heid for such distribution by the committee as may be found best to meet the
requirements of the Government, charitable institutions or individuals who may
be in needy circumstances.

months ended December 31, 1916, were
unusually heavy, with an increase of
\$10,325,581, or 14.73 per cent., as compared with the preceding year. Total
operating expenses increased \$5,999,511. the schoolboy volunteer of the city yesterday for 19.84 per cent, the advance in expenses being due to the unfavorable weather in the first part of the year, the abnormal amount of business which caused serious congestion at many points, labor troubles and steadily increasing prices for fuel material and

creasing prices for fuel material and

Mayor Mitchel was greatly pleased not been taken into the income account with an offer by W. E. Harmon of all of the New Haven unless earned and the available unused land, aggregating paid in cash. paid in cash.

Deductions from gross income increased \$1,813,204, due entirely to hire of equipment, which increased upward of 183 per cent. on account of congestion of freight, embargoes and lack of freight, embargoes and tack of ra-cillties by shippers and the railroad which prevented prompt unloading of cars. Profit and loss account showed a credit of \$13,240,428, with a profit and loss surplus of \$12,959,774, which represents the credit to the account of profit and loss before any readjustments

whereupon Mr. Lamar went into long details as to why he thought the cource of several years.

Under the decree of the Federal Court certain properties of the New Haven must be sold, and according to the last two annual reports of the New Haven those properties will be sold at a loss, but it is believed those losses will be offset in part by profits in companies which have increased in value.

Comparative results for 1916 show operating revenues of \$85.640,365, against \$74,750,693 in 1915 and \$68,471,-604 in 1914; operating expenses, \$57.-313,165, sgainst \$47,757,951 in 1915 and \$49,986,229 in 1914; total operating income, \$25,125,268, against \$24,167,677 in 1915 and \$15,224,529 in 1914. The ratio of operating expenses to total operating revenues was 66,92 per cent. in 1916, 63,89 per cent. in 1915 and 73 per cent. in 1914. of values of securities or other prop-erties, some of which cannot be made

In 1914.

Among the important increases in operating expenses last year were \$824.581 for maintenance of roadway, \$520,000 for depreciation on bridges, trestles and culverts, \$174.102 for signals, \$133,000 for power distribution service, \$746,981 for repairs to steam locomotives and \$656,718 for repairs to passenger cars. Chargeable directly to transportation there was an increase on station em-ployees' account of \$1,153,789, on train enginemen account, \$435,545, and on fuel for train locomotives, \$1,414,350.

HEARST INJUNCTION UPHELD.

Appellate Division Acts on San Francisco "Examiner" Case.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court yesterday affirmed the decision of Supreme Court Justice Benton in grantng an injunction to William R. Hearst restraining the Associated Press from stopping its telegraphic service to the San Francisco Examiner. It is expected

Fifteenth Blast Victim Dies.

The fifteenth death resulting from the powder flaresp in the Detwiler & Street Pireworks Manufacturing Company's plant in Jersey City April 4 was reported yesterday. Miss Mildred Kruff, 17 years old, of 26 Woodham avenue, Jersey City, died in the Jersey City died in the Jersey City Mention.

RINTELEN, ON TRIAL, PASS \$30,000,000 SHOWS COOL NERVE

His Codefendants Object to Senators Substitute Measure Being Arraigned With Alien Enemy.

LAMAR MAKES PROTEST HERVEY IS CONFIRMED

Says He Was Kidnapped From Sage Leads Opposition to P. S. Atlanta-Judge Orders

Cushman in the Federal District Court, ments and manufacturing corporations sat together just about as amicably as a group of cats on a back fence at night. The spotlight of the trial was occupied for the day by David Lamar, the "Wolf of Wall Street," who objected to being tried at all. Some of the other defendants were decidedly against being tried with an allen enemy—referring to Roman and Ramsperger of Buffalo, Democrat. Von Rintelen.

ments and manufacturing corporations in this State. The bill proposes to raise between \$30,000,000, and \$33,000,000, and \$33,000,000 Von Rintelen.

curious glances of the many who filled the war, and it was urged by Gov. Whitthe court and gazed abstractedly at man. the ceiling or turned to chat with the

the ceiling or turned to chat with the heavy jawed guard who sat behind him.

The prejudicial atmostphere in which the men, charged with attempting to cause strikes in munition plants, believe they are surrounded, was referred to early in the day, when Frank Moss, attorney for former Representative Robert Fowler and Henry B. Martin, made a plea for a postponement of the trial on the ground that his clients could not get a fair trial at this time, partly because of the war and partly because of the war and partly because of the being on trial with a man recognized as an enemy of the United States.

Judge Cushman admitted that there was justice in Mr. Moss's argument, but advanced the value when the tendence of the plant of the real of the New York city Publics of the New York city Publics of the real of the New York city Publics of the real of the New York city Publics of the real of the New York city Publics of the real of the New York city Publics of the New York city Publics of the nomination of Charles S. Hervey as a manter of the New York city Publics of the nomination of Charles S. Hervey as a manter of the New York city Publics of the New York city Publics of the nomination of Charles I. Hervey as an an member of the New York city Publics of the nomination of Charles I. Hervey to Charles I. Hervey the Charles I. Hervey the commissions of Brooklyn, George F. Thompson of Brooklyn, Ge

Judge Cushman admitted that there was justice in Mr. Moss's argument, but advanced the view that adjournment would not serve the purpose of giving the defendants a fairer trial, as in the fall the feeling because of the war crep during the coming summer, and general business expansion in the New will request his friends and acquaint-sense to do likewise." The pledge is being signed by many. The yield will be reported to the war committee and held for such distribution by the conditions of war, and because of the fall the feeling because of the war might be even more bitter than it is now. He advised Mr. Moss that it would be better, in order to give the defendants as fair a trial as possible, for the trial to take place at once, and with

telen, dressed in a mixed suit, his lean, browned face topped by scant blond hair, was, of course the star attraction. He sat near his attorney, Albert Massey. Only second to Von Rintelen in point of attraction was Lamar, looking plump and master of himself, fresh from the Federal prison at Atlanta, where he is serving a sentence for impersonation.

to pay their interest on their obligations to the New Haven and to pay also some of the accumulated interest which had not been taken into the income account of the New Haven unless earned and

brought from Atlanta to stand trial. Lamar Speaks in Protest.

"If it please your Honor, I have been kidnapped," he said. "I have been brought here from Atlanta against my protest and I have not even seen the

legal papers demanding my presence in this court."

"Well, you are here." Judge Cush- Ludovics Pignatelli d'Aragon man remarked, "that is all I am con-cerned with."

Whereupon Mr. Lamar went into long

details as to why he thought the cour

their cases so that justice would be impossible in the present state of public of bire with a large brimmed hat enopinion. It was then that Judge Cushman remarked that later the situation might be even werse for their clients and that they had believe on how.

that they had better go on now. from this country to the Entente Allies. He was challenged by the prosecution without delay. Only a few jurors had been tentatively accepted at the close of the day. The trial will be resumed Monday morning.

ONE ARMED LAWYER ACCUSED. W. J. Brown Held in \$500 Ball for

Alleged Assault.

restraining the Associated Press from stopping its telegraphic service to the San Francisco Examiner. It is expected that the case will go to the Court of Appeals at Albany.

The action centred around the fact that the edition of the Examiner sold in Oakland was headed so that it looked like "Oakland Examiner," the words "edition of the" being in very small type. The Oakland Tribuse protested that this made it a separate paper, infringing on the franchise from the Associated Press, by which no paper was to receive the association's service in any territory without the consent of other publishers in that territory.

Alleged Assault.

William J. Brown, a lawyer, of 60 wall street, who has only one arm, was held in \$500 bail yesterday in Tombs Police Court on a charge of assaulting Henry L. Doherty & Co. last Wednesday. The defendant furnished bail.

Mr. Doherty charged that the alleged assault took place in the offices of the City Service Company in Wall street. He said the lawyer struck and kicked him several times. Mr. Brown told Magistrate Handy he had demanded money which he said the banker owed him. He requested the Magistrate to permit him to make a counter charge against Mr. Doherty, but this was not against Mr. Doherty, but this was not

> Norfolk Cheers French Tars. Norrolk, Va., April 27.—Sallors from the French ship which brought Marshal Joffre to America joined in a patriotic military parado through the streets of Norrolk this afternoon. They were

DEMURRAGE RATES

BUSINESS TAX BILL Railroads and Shippers Agree

for Present Personal Prop-

when emergency rates were prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commis-The new rates, which will go into effect May 1, provide charges of \$2 a day on each car detained for unloading after arrival at its destination for the first four days, and \$5 a day thereafter.

Case to Go On.

Dodgers to Go.

Dodgers to Go.

Emergency rates prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission when the car shortage situation became acute last December were \$1 for the first day; \$3 for the second; \$3 for the fooday passed the Emerson tax bill properly system in this country, who went on trial yesterday before Judge annual income of mercantile establishments.

Cushman in the Federal District Court, ments and manufacturing cornerations.

This tax is to be a substitute for the Only Von Rintelen himself seemed not present personal property tax, locally, from which the localities now receive about \$4,500,000. This is the main taxthe long arguments of Lamar and of counsel for the other defendants he slouched down in his seat, the object of curious glances of the many who filled

erty Levy.

C. Commissioner-African

Senator Charles F. Murphy of Kings had his bill passed prohibiting future ex-hibitions of negroes posing as human targets for baseball throwers. Senator Murphy insisted that 800 negroes in his district had protested to him against the "hall dodging" exhibitions as reflecting upon the race and that they intended to be as active in the future in opposing their race being ridiculed as other nationalities have been. The bill makes any person permitting his head this scant comfort the attorney was forced to be satisfied.

It was an unusual array of prisoners and legal talent that faced Judge Cushman when court was convened. Von Rintelen, dressed in a mixed suit, his lean, browned face topped by scant blond hair.

It was an an unusual array of prisoners and it is the future in opposing their race being ridiculed as other nationalities have been. The bill makes any person permitting his head to the used as a target for a baseball or any other missile guilty of a misdean meaner.

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Objection was made in the Senate to day to the passage of the bill permitting C. McCready, a teacher, and will be foined on Monday by twenty more boys, buring the week this particular unit will be brought up to fifty.

Mrs. Emily Ladenburg wrote to Mayor Mitchel yesterday that the twenty-two risks now working at Farmingdale planted in four days enough potatoes to yield (5,000 bushels at harvesting time, which she said demonstrated the value of girl farmhands.

J. M. Seymour, a consulting engineer of Newark, appealed yesterday to the Meyor's Food Supply Committee for help to get seed potatoes. He has a farm in Maine and after securing the entire market managed to get only twenty-five of the 100 bushels he needed. He had market managed to get only twenty-five of the 100 bushels he needed. He had fitted the Gorge W. Perkins's comhard that George W. Perkins's comhard that George W. Perkins's company, from the New York, Ontario fit the committee had obtained 100 carloads of seed that the committee had sold out.

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Legislature even if final adjournment had to be prolonged a day or two to permit

PRINCESS FINED \$10 FOR CHOKING COOK

Backs Up Wife, but Fails to Convince Court.

One fact stands out plainly from the mass of contradiction in the court of Justice of the Peace Walter R. Jones of Hempstead, L. I. It was a fine and lively scrap that Beatrice Caughan, laundress and cook, had on April 18 with the Princess Ludovics Pignatelli d'Aragon in the latter's home at Mer-

The Princess was arraigned for trial yesterday on the charge of assault made by her former cook, who said the American born wife of the Spanish grandee had choked her and torn her shirt waist sleeve because she had declined to do chambermald's work. Subdued in man-

"I had called her eight times to come The business of drawing jurces finally began late in the afternoon and had not proceeded far at the close of the day's esssion. Many of the talesmen declared that they had formed an opinion on the talesmen when the close of the day's established by the close of the day's established by the close of the day's established by the close of the day is the day is the close of the day is the day is the day is the close of the day is t man raised the point that he had objected strenuously before the declaration of war to shipments of munitions from this country to the Entents Alice. harm me, so I grasped her by the arm to keep her from throwing flatirons and pots and pans at me."

She denied that she had choked the maid or that she had torn the maid's The Prince backed up his wife's tes-

timony to a certain extent. After the encounter Beatrice had met him and had asked him to behold the bruised throat and torn sleeve. He said he looked carefully, but there was no bruise, no tear. He added that Beatrice some-times had "spells."

The D'Aragon butler, Thomas Faust,

The D'Aragon butler, Thomas Faust, said Beatrice was erratic. Once he saw her drop on her knees and pray in the kitchen in the middle of the day.

Justice of the Peace Jones, after Beatrice had repeated her story, decided the Princess was guilty. He imposed a \$10 fine.

As the Princess was leaving court she was served with papers in a \$2,000 damage suit brought by Beatrice.

Sweden Stops U. S. Parcel Post.

STOCKHOLM, via London, April 27 .-

The rostal authorities announce the dis-continuance until further notice of the parcel post service to America, HAIR BALBAM

on Increased Charges.

WASHINGTON, April 27 .- Railroads of the country and the chief shippers represented in the national industrial traffic eague have agreed upon a 100 per cent. ncrease in demurrage charges over the rate in effect prior to December 1 last,

revenue bonds to be used at the Mayor's discretion for emergency purposes. Mayor, in his request, pointed out that some such emergency may occur during war times which would make necessary the expenditure of money at once.

The Board of Estimate, however turned down the proposition to appro-priate \$125,700 for use by the Fire Department in experimenting with the two platoon system. The Board of Aldermen granted this sum before the war, and the Board of Estimate took the view yesterday that now is not the proper time to expend money for experimenta-

TENN. COPPER EARNINGS FALL. Burning of Plant and Trouble Over

Cop .acts Blamed. Earnings of the Tennessee Copper and bemical Company for the calendar year 916 were only \$387,638, compared with \$1,058,158 in the previous year, according to the annual report made public yesterday. After dividends \$237,658 was carried to surplus, compared with \$458,-158 last year. The decrease in earnings was due to loss of the company's plant by fire and to numerous difficulties which arose in connection with contracts.

The balance sheet as of December 21 last shows cash amounting to \$125,252; accounts and notes receivable less reserves, \$508,991; copper at refinery and

ON CARS DOUBLED STANDARD OIL, N. J., EARNED \$51,591,569

Figures for 1915 Revealed by Report of Federal Trade Commission.

FIRST RECORD GIVEN OUT

Nebraska Concern in Same 12 Months Made \$561,914 on \$1,000,000 Capital.

For the first time in the history of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and several of its subsidiaries the record of annual earnings \$51,591,569 for \$915 has been made public. The sum is large enough to be astounding, too, to Wall Street, even in these days of of the subsidiaries issue no balance use in repairing the Riverside Drive sheet and make no reports of annual viaduct, which is said to be settling earnings to any organization. The stock and in a dangerous condition. Presi-

For this reason earnings of the Standard Oil Company have always been shrouded in more or less mystery, especially since the dissolution in November, 1911, when the parent organization by court order, was split into thirty-three independent companies. This mystery extends to all but few of the tery extends to all but a few of the argest stockholders.

Figures obtained by the Federal Trade ommission in its search for reasons for the advance in the price of gasolene have brought to light a statement of the earnings of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the Standard Oil Company of Nebraska and the Continental Oil Company for 1915. These figures, of course, would not represent the present condition of the companies, nor their present earning power. Last year, a period for which no figures are available, was admittedly the best in the history of the gasolene industry, from the points of production and consumption and oil companies' profits were enor-

and of companies profits were enformous.

In 1915 the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey earned \$51,591,569, according to the Trade Commission's figures. Its surplus at the first of that year was \$149,579,868. In the year it added \$21,523,909 to the surplus. At the beginning of the year its net investment totailed \$249,979,888.

These net earnings would be equal to These net earnings would be equal to 20.5 per cent, on the net investment. The record of the Jersey company as to percentage earned on investment is not

o slithing as the records of some of the other companies.

The Federal Trade Commission report puts net earnings of the Standard Oil Company of Nebraska at \$561,914 in 1815. The capital was \$1,000,090. Its

\$496,793, and in the year it added \$361,214 to surplus. The Continental Oil
Company in the same year earned \$1,543,937 net on its \$3,000,000 capital
atock. Its surplus at the first of that
year was \$1,533,667, and additions to its
workload during the year amounted to

curplus during the year amounted to The following table shows the 1915 percentages according to the figures of the Federal Trade Commission;

earthings on earned on investment, stock Percentage. Company investing Co. 21.7 Standard of Indiana. 59 Standard of Indiana. 59 Standard of N. J. 20.6 Standard of N. Y. 10 Standard of Ohlo. 23.8 Standard of Kansas. 17.9 Continents. 34

The parent company before the dissopart company before the disso-lution paid dividends ranging from 20 per cent. In 1898 to the high of 48 in 1990 and 1991. From 1995 to 1910 40 per cent. was pald. There was a drop of 10 to 30 per cent. In the final year of

The Board of Estimate yesterday disapproved a resolution offered by Prestrecord carnings. The company and many dent Marks appropriating \$15.900 for sheet and make no reports of annual earnings to any organization. The stock is traded in on the curb market, but by special agreement no statement as to the company's finances has ever been required.

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INTERESTED CROWDS

Three Green Sprouts in Union Square Furnish Problem.

New York has a new outdoor sport. It s not guite as full of action as the exis not quite as full of action as the exhibitions staged by Mr. McGraw at the Polo Grounds; in fact, the amount of nervous strain required of the spectators is about the same as for cheese or checkers, but it draws good crowds just the same. It consists in observing the progress of the sample vegetable gardens recently planted by the city in some of the parks. A crowd three or four deep surrounded the plot in Union Square yesterday and watched with great interest the three green shoots in the southeast the three green shoots in the southeast corner, which so far as the only tangible results of the municipal campaign to end the starvation menace, as the headline

writers call it.

When the three green shoots aforementioned stop sprinting and settle down to the steady grind of growing, as they do every hour or so, the interest of the crowd relaxes a little, but only a little. For there always remains for discussion the question what particular vegetable is naving its genesis there beneath the pubchokes and asparagus. The potato the-



After All—The Closed Car Is The All-Year Car

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OWEN MAGNETIC

transmission so distinctly apparent as in the closed

The total absence of gear changing—the velvety gradual start and stop.—The Coasting Feature and the soft magnetic brake, which obviate tire slippage—the gradual acceleration which carries you from one to forty miles per

> All these essentials beget economy and afford a motoring luxury and restfulness obtainable only in The Owen Magnetic—"The Car of a Thousand Speeds."

Baker R & L Co., Inc.

What President Wilson Expects of Each Citizen

Personal responsibility for the outcome of the war is brought home to every man and woman of the United States by President Wilson's appeal to enlist in the great civilian army, without whose whole-hearted services, "mere fighting would be useless."

'This plea to the American people," declares the Washington Evening Star, "is the most important stroke yet delivered in the battle of preparedness," and the Philadelphia North American remarks that "never before in history has a nation received so

sobering a summons at the beginning of a war." In THE LITERARY DIGEST for April 28th, the leading article gives a complete description of how the great army of industry is being mobilized throughout the country. It shows the movements that are under way to increase the cultivation of the land, the proposals to solve the problem of a scarcity of farm labor, and numerous other activities. While Germany hails with delight the President's appeal, seeing in it a declaration of weakness because of a lack of supply of food-stuffs, no red-blooded American who reads this article will for one moment be convinced that there is any truth in Professor Wygodzinski's statement in the Dusseldorf General Anzeiger, that "on the American wheat-

field the war will be decided in our (Germany's) favor." Other articles of scarcely less importance in this number of "The Digest" are:

The Orgy of Destruction That Follows a German Retreat

Detailed Descriptions By Eye-Witnesses

T. R.'s Plan to Beard the Kaiser What England Expects As Our Duty The Kaiser Blocking Reform Psychology of the "Hunch" Venison for All of Us Automatic Railway Stop is Coming The Work of American Artists in Recruiting Galsworthy's Welcome to Us Boy Police of New York

The Battle for France Our War-Fleet of Wood Canada Smashing the Hindenburg Line Victory by the Watch on the Western Front Germany's Submarine Effort Donkey-Back Wireless for War German Singers and German Music A French Vision of Solidarity Will the Puritan Return

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